

## House Resolution No. 450

**Whereas**, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

**Whereas**, fifty years ago on September 7, 1957, Don Viehland took the hand of his beautiful bride, Ruth Landwehr, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony at the First Presbyterian Church in Union, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, in the years since that heavenly day, Don and Ruth Viehland have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include one son, Brian Viehland, and one daughter and her husband, Beth and Brad Peters; and

**Whereas**, Don Viehland has compiled an impressive list of achievement that includes being a retired salesman with Smurfit Stone, a member of the Union Development Committee and St. John's Mercy Hospital Board, a former member of the East-West Gateway Committee, past Alderman for the City of Union, and a former school board president; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Ruth Viehland has further distinguished herself as a retired employee of United Bank of Union and as a member of PEO; and

**Whereas**, Don and Ruth Viehland have found the road to happiness by putting all of their energy, love, and ambition into their marriage and by knowing that a successful union is built upon such strong qualities as sacrifice, dedication, and honesty; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Viehland, residents of Union, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on September 7, 2007:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Don and Ruth Viehland for their tremendous success in achieving a half century of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Don Viehland.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brian Nieves  
District No. 98

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 450, adopted February 7, 2008.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rod Jetton, Speaker